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SUBJECT: REPORT OF DRAFTING WORKING GROUP MEETING, APRIL 23, 1975
(SALT TWO-629)

1. IN TWO-HOUR MEETING ON APRIL 23 (A-852) DRAFTING WORKING GROUP (KLOSSON, EARLE, SMOLIN) DISCUSSED U.S. ARTICLE IX AND SOVIET ARTICLE XI. SOVIETS OFFERED NEW LANGUAGE FOR THEIR ARTICLES XI, II, VI.

2. KARPOV PRESENTED REVISED VERSION OF SOVIET XI WHICH SUBSTITUTED "STRATEGIC OFFENSIVE ARMS" FOR "DELIVERY VEHICLES FOR STRATEGIC WEAPONS" AS PROPOSED BY U.S. AND ADDED "THE POSSIBILITY OF" BEFORE "THEIR OPERATIONAL USE" WHICH KARPOV ARGUED WAS IN CLOSER CONFORMITY WITH SCC PROTOCOL.

3. TEXTUAL DIFFERENCES IN U.S. IX AND SOVIET XI WERE DISCUSSED IN DETAIL. KLOSSON AND EARLE SAID THAT SOVIET DRAFT PHRASE "PRECLUDES THE POSSIBILITY OF THEIR OPERATIONAL USE" WAS ONLY ONE OF FOUR CONDITIONS PROVIDED IN PARA 3 OF THE SCC PROTOCOLS FOR ABMS AND OFFENSIVE ARMS AND THAT IF ONE CONDITION IS INCLUDED IN THE NEW AGREEMENT, ALL FOUR

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SHOULD BE INCLUDED. THEY ALSO POINTED OUT THAT "DIS-

MANTLED AND DESTROYED" WAS AGREED LANGUAGE IN ABM TREATY AND 1974 ABM PROTOCOL. KARPOV SAID THE SOVIET SIDE PREFERRED INCLUDING ONLY ONE OF THESE CONDITIONS, BUT WOULD BE WILLING TO ACCEPT FORMULATION SIMILAR TO ABM ARTICLE VIII.

4. KARPOV PRESENTED NEW LANGUAGE ON SOVIET ARTICLE II. IT INCLUDED PARAGRAPHS SIMILAR TO PARAS 3 AND 4 OF U.S. ARTICLE III, BUT REFERRING TO "AIR-TO SURFACE MISSILES OF ANY TYPE" INSTEAD OF "ASBMS."

5. KARPOV ALSO PRESENTED REVISED LANGUAGE FOR SOVIET ARTICLE VI, TOGETHER WITH ELABORATIONS OF "FINAL STAGE OF CONSTRUCTION" FOR SLBM LAUNCHERS, HEAVY BOMBERS, AND ASMS OF ANY TYPE, (BUT NOT FOR ICBM LAUNCHERS), SIMILAR TO FORMULATIONS OF U.S. III.2.

6. NEXT MEETING FRIDAY, APRIL 25, 3:30 PM. JOHNSON

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